

**Amendment to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method to manage multiple format fonts in an image generating device comprising the steps of:

receiving a management request from an associated user to store a font in a selected storage area of the image generating device;

receiving font data corresponding to a received management request;

determining, from the received font data, the type of font to be stored;

selectively generating a new font file such that:

when the font to be stored is a PostScript font, pre-appending selected PostScript language code to the PostScript font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PostScript Language code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form,

when the font to be stored is a PCL font, pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PJL code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form, and

when the font to be stored is other than a PostScript font or PCL font, converting the font to a PCL font and pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the converted PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a portion comprised of the selected PJL software commands and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form;

storing the generated new font file in an associated data storage for rendering of associated electronic document data;

receiving an electronic document data into a spooler;

receiving a document imaging request associated with the received corresponding to electronic document data stored in the spooler;

isolating font specification data associated with the received electronic document;

testing ~~isolated~~ font specification data in accordance with the font file data stored in the associated data storage;

retrieving a font data file from the associated storage in accordance with the step of testing; and

commencing a rendering operation on[[the]] electronic documents- document data in the spooler in conjunction with the retrieved font data file.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 further comprising the step of storing the rendered document in the selected storage area.

4. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein the management request is received from an associated user via at least one of a simple management network protocol and a web administration user interface.

5. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein the image generating device is selected from the group consisting of a printing device, a facsimile device, a copying device, and a video display device.

Claims 6-12 (Cancelled)

13. (Currently Amended) A method to manage multiple format fonts in an image generating device comprising the steps of:

receiving a management request from an associated user;

determining the type of management request received;

upon a determination that the management request received is a request to store a font in a selected storage area of the image generating device[[,]]:

receiving font data corresponding to a received management request[[;]],

determining, from the received font data, the type of font to be stored[[;]],

selectively generating a new font file such that:

when the font to be stored is a PostScript font, pre-appending selected PostScript language code to the PostScript font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PostScript Language code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form;

when the font to be stored is a PCL font, pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the PJL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PJL code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form; and

when the font to be stored is other than a PostScript font or PCL font, converting the font to a PCL font and pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the converted PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a portion comprised of the selected PJL software commands and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form;

storing a generated new font file in an associated data storage for rendering of associated electronic document data,[[;]]

receiving [[an ]]electronic ~~document~~data into a spooler,[[;]]

receiving a document imaging request ~~associated with the received~~  
corresponding to electronic document data stored in the spooler,[[;]]

~~isolating font specification data associated with the received electronic document;~~

testing ~~isolated~~-font specification data in accordance with the font file data stored in the associated data storage[[;]].

retrieving a font data file from the associated storage in accordance with the step of testing,[[;]] and

commencing a rendering operation on[[the]] electronic documents  
document data in the spooler in conjunction with a retrieved font data file;

upon a determination that the management request received is to remove a selected font from a selected storage area of an image generating device[[.]]:

creating a new file which includes a selected command and the font to be removed[[;]],

determining if the selected font is stored in the storage area[[]], and  
upon a determination that the selected font is stored in the storage area,  
removing the selected font from the storage area[[]], and

upon a determination that the management request received is to locate a selected type of font stored in a selected storage area of the image generating device[[],]:

determining if the selected type of font is stored in the storage area[[]],  
generating a list of fonts corresponding to the selected type of font, and  
transmitting the list of fonts to the associated user via at least one of  
displaying the list of fonts on a display means or generating test documents listing the fonts.

14. (Original) The method according to claim 13 wherein the management request is received from an associated user via at least one of a simple management network protocol and a web administration user interface.

15. (Original) The method according to claim 13 wherein the image generating device is selected from the group consisting of a printing device, a facsimile device, a copying device, and a video display monitor.

16. (Currently Amended) A system to manage multiple format fonts in an image generating device comprising:

means adapted for receiving a management request from an associated user to store a font in a selected storage area of the image generating device;

means adapted for receiving font data corresponding to a received management request;

means adapted for determining the type of font to be stored;

means adapted for selectively generating a new font file such that:

when the font to be stored is a PostScript font, means adapted for pre-appending selected PostScript language code to the PostScript font data to create a new

font file inclusive of a PostScript Language code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form,

when the font to be stored is a PCL font, means adapted for pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PJL code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form, and

when the font to be stored is other than a PostScript font or PCL font, means adapted for converting the font to a PCL font and means adapted for pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the converted PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a portion comprised of the selected PJL software commands and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form; and

means adapted for storing a generated new font file in an associated data storage for rendering of associated electronic document data;

means adapted for receiving an electronic document data into a spooler;

means adapted for receiving a document imaging request associated with the received corresponding to electronic document data in the spooler;

~~means adapted for isolating font specification data associated with the received electronic document;~~

means adapted for testing ~~isolated~~ font specification data in accordance with the font file data stored in the associated data storage;

means adapted retrieving a font data file from the associated storage in accordance with the testing; and

means adapted for commencing a rendering operation of[[the]] electronic documents~~document data in the spooler~~ in conjunction with a retrieved font data file.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 16 further comprising means adapted for storing the processed file in the selected storage area.

19. (Original) The system according to claim 16 wherein the management request is received from an associated user via at least one of a simple management network protocol and a web administration user interface.

20. (Original) The system according to claim 16 wherein the image generating device is selected from the group consisting of a printing device, a facsimile device, a copying device, and a video display device.

Claims 21-27 (Cancelled)

28. (Currently Amended) A system to manage multiple format fonts in an image generating device comprising:

means adapted for receiving a management request from an associated user;

means adapted for determining the type of management request received;

upon a determination that the management request received is a request to store a font in a selected storage area of the image generating device[[,]]:

means adapted for receiving font data corresponding to a received management request;

means adapted for determining the type of font to be stored;

means adapted for selectively generating a new font file such that:

when the font to be stored is a PostScript font, means adapted for pre-appending selected PostScript language code to the PostScript font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PostScript Language code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form[[;]],

when the font to be stored is a PCL font, means adapted for pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a PJL code portion and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form[[;]], and

when the font to be stored is other than a PostScript font or PCL font, means adapted for converting the font to a PCL font and means adapted for

pre-appending selected PJL software commands to the converted PCL font data to create a new font file inclusive of a portion comprised of the selected PJL software commands and a font data portion containing the received font data in its native form;

means adapted for storing a generated new font file in an associated data storage for rendering of associated electronic document data;

means adapted for receiving an electronic document data into a spooler;

means adapted for receiving a document imaging request associated with the received corresponding to electronic document data stored in the spooler;

~~means adapted for isolating font specification data associated with the received electronic document~~;

means adapted for testing isolated font specification data in accordance with the font file data stored in the associated data storage;

means adapted retrieving a font data file from the associated storage in accordance with the testing; and

means adapted for commencing a rendering operation of[[the]] electronic documentsdocument data in the spooler in conjunction with a retrieved font data file;

upon a determination that the management request received is to remove a selected font from a selected storage area of an image generating device[[,]]:

means adapted for creating a new file which includes a selected command and the font to be removed[[;]],

means adapted for determining if the selected font is stored in the storage area[[;]], and

upon a determination that the selected font is stored in the storage area, means adapted for removing the selected font from the storage area; and

upon a determination that the management request received is to locate a selected type of font stored in a selected storage area of the image generating device[[,]]:

means adapted for determining if the selected type of font is stored in the storage area[[;]],

means adapted for generating a list of fonts corresponding to the selected type of font, and

means adapted for transmitting the list of fonts to the associated user via at least one of displaying the list of fonts on a display means or generating test documents listing the fonts.

29. (Original) The system according to claim 28 wherein the management request is received from an associated user via at least one of a simple management network protocol and a web administration user interface.

30. (Original) The system according to claim 28 wherein the image generating device is selected from the group consisting of a printing device, a facsimile device, a copying device, and a video display monitor.

Claims 31-38 (Cancelled)